THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b) A proposal for construction of RMS building at Haridwar railway station had been received from the Post Master General, Dehradun.

(c) and (d) The Postal Department had deposited Rs. 12 lakh on the basis of the estimated cost of 1987.

(e) and (f) The Plan for construction of said building on platform no. 1 could not be finalised due to non-agreement of location. Later, since the Postal Authorities demanded more space, the site had to be changed.

The Revised Plan was approved by the Postal Authorities in August, 1996. The revised estimate of the work was prepared and sent to them in December, 1996. The work can be taken up only after receipt of the approval of the Postal Authorities to the revised estimate.

E.D. Workers

4119. SHRI M. SELVARASU :
SHRIMATI BHAVNA BEN DEVRAJ BHAI CHIKHALIA :
SHRI DILEEP SANGHANI :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether one man committee consituted for examining the conditions service, emoluments and facilities available to Extra departmental agents has submitted its report to the Government;

(b) if so, the details recommendations made by the Committee; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise in view of (a) above.

Post Offices in J & K

4120. SHRI P. NAMGYAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of post offices, sub-post offices and branch post offices in J & K till date, district wise;

(b) the number of post offices, sub-post offices and branch post offices proposed to be set up during 1997-98 in J & K, district-wise and location-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to upgrade sub-post offices and branch post offices in J & K including SPO Kargil. Diskit (Nubra) and Nyoma during 1997-98;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The number of post offices, category-wise, district-wise in J & K till date are given in the enclosed statement.

(b) Post Offices are opened subject to norm based justification and availability of resources within the allotted targets. The Circle-wise targets for opening of post offices during 1997-98 in J & K, have not yet been finalised.

(c) to (e) Upgradation of Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices (EDBOs) into Departmental Sub Post Offices (DSOs) is included in the target for opening DSOs, within which, an EDBO/EDSO, if found justified in accordance with the existing norms, is upgraded into a DSO, Kargil and Diskit are already functioning as Departmental Sub Post Offices and cannot be upgraded on the basis of present norms, into Head Post offices. Nyoma is not justified for upgradation into a DSO on the basis of norms prescribed for the purpose.

Statement

Details of Post Offices in Jammu & Kashmir Category-wise and District-wise;

S.No.	Name of District	Head Post Offices (HOs)	Departmental Sub Post Offices (DSOs)	Extra Departmental Sub Post Offices (EDSOs)	Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices (EDBOs)
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Anantnag	1	12	2	143
2.	Badgaon	-	9	-	71
3.	Baramulla	1	15	4	155
4.	Doda	-	12	1	113
5.	Jammu	2	67	9	147